

## STATE NEWS MENTION

### CONDENSATION OF INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS.

Michigan State Federation of Labor Asks for Legislation—The Gladwin Gold Craze Growing—Condensations.

#### Important Legislation for Labor.

The State Federation of Labor in the session at Battle Creek recommended that the office of state commissioner of labor be elective instead of appointive; that the next legislature be asked to submit a constitutional amendment giving women the right of suffrage; that independent political action be taken by the trades unions.

Resolutions were adopted asking that the national commissioner of labor be made a cabinet officer; endorsing the inheritance tax law in this state, and asking congress to adopt a similar law; asking for compulsory inspection of all steam boilers, adopting a bill for the next legislature providing that every railroad organization or company owning or operating a railroad in this state shall be liable for all damages sustained by any agent, servant, or employee thereof, or by reason of any defect in the ways, works, plant, locomotives, engines, tools, or machinery connected with or in use in the business of such corporations or company when such injury is received within this state, and without contributory negligence on the part of the person injured, no contract or agreement between such corporation or company, and any agent, servant or employee to impair or diminish liability under this act; in favor of government ownership of the telegraph system; for a new mechanics law; denouncing the decision of Judge Ricks, of Toledo, in the Toledo & Ann Arbor railroad strike case.

#### \$2,000 A DAY.

A Forty-niner Says That Much Gold Can be Washed Out in the Gladwin Fields.

The excitement over the discovery of gold near Rhodes, Gladwin county, continues unabated and larger quantities of the yellow stuff are said to be unearthed. The fields are about 20 miles east of Gladwin, the county seat, in an unfrequented part of the country. Land there is very cheap, and much of it still open to homesteaders' entry. Two strangers by the name of Gierbeck and Davis made the first strike. They kept it quiet and went to buying land at the tax sale, but they had little money. An old 40-miner named Chase proclaimed the news, which made a decided furore.

The gold lies six feet below the surface. Samples have been sent to Paris, Davis & Co., Detroit. The precious metal is separated by washing, and Gierbeck says a man can clear up \$2,000 a day. The region is a strange and lonesome one, though the surrounding low lands possess a rich soil and heavy timber. The mining is done in the barren sand hills, or buttes, that are scattered in every direction. The region is reported to be rich in other minerals.

#### MINOR MICHIGAN NEWS.

Klein & Brooks, clothing, Marshall, assigned.

Hubbard Hedden, aged 87, a Dearborn pioneer is dead.

Marquette's Y. M. C. A. is in debt, has no funds, and has closed its rooms.

A band of Christian Crusaders is trying to drive the serpents out of Edenville.

Daniel Pugsley, a farmer, dropped dead on the street at Fenton. Heart disease.

William Rice, an Allegan county miner, shot a 20-pound wildcat which attacked his dog while trotting by his side.

A Hillsdale lady, while sweeping snow off the sidewalk, fell and broke her hip. There should be a moral in this.

W. J. Lambdin was instantly killed by a falling tree while cutting logs in the woods near Benzonia. His head was crushed badly.

William Day, an Indian, was found frozen to death in a small boat which had lodged in the ice at Russell's Island, near Algona.

C. L. Joys & Co., of Manistee, have filed chattel mortgages for \$8,000. Attachments were served by unprotected creditors and the sheriff is in possession.

Fred Pulling, a young man of White Oak, fell from a scaffold in a barn and struck upon a pitchfork, which penetrated his body. He died in a short time.

Isaac Sitter, a blacksmith, aged 63, dropped dead of heart disease in the office of the Commercial hotel, Kalamazoo. He leaves a wife and nine children.

Manistee choppers are returning from the lumber woods, and report that a reduction in wages was announced, and they threw up their jobs in consequence.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to burn Frederick Stearns & Co.'s laboratory in Detroit. The plot was frustrated by an unknown boy warning the assistant superintendent.

The Sanilac County Fair association has paid all premiums, and has money enough in the treasury to pay a considerable portion of its indebtedness for grounds and improvements.

William Klapp, of Columbiaville, lost his right arm because a rapidly-revolving saw flew off its shaft, struck his arm and cut that member so deeply that amputation was necessary.

James Moon "Uncle Jim" died at Otisco, at the age of 74. Forty-six years ago he took up a government claim, and had lived upon it all these years without the assistance of a doctor.

The boards of supervisors of the counties of Baraga, Gogebic, Houghton, Menominee and Ontonagon have passed resolutions protesting against the location of the upper peninsula insane asylum at Newberry. They say that the purpose of the asylum was to accommodate the people of the upper peninsula, and that nine-tenths of the inmates west of the proposed location.

#### Can the Counties All Starving Miners?

The board of supervisors of Dickinson county recently resolved to issue \$30,000 worth of 6 percent bonds, ostensibly for current expenses, but really to secure money for the relief of destitute miners in that county. There being some doubt as to the authority of the board to do this, Chairman Warren, of the board, who was a member of the committee appointed to issue the bonds, refused to sign them, and the other members of the board asked the supreme court for a mandamus to compel him to do so. The constitution provides that in the absence of a vote of the people supervisors cannot raise more than \$1,000 in any one year for building or highway purposes, and the question is whether this prohibition inferentially prohibits the board from bonding the county for other purposes not mentioned in the constitution. If it does not the other question to be decided is whether the statutes have ever conferred such power on boards of supervisors.

#### Michigan Crop Report.

The reports this month, with rare exception, show that while wheat has made small growth, the plant, however, is in fairly healthy condition. The small growth is due to late sowing and dry weather. For the southern counties, the average condition is reported at 84 per cent; for the central, 89 per cent; and for the northern, 96 per cent, comparison being with vitality and growth of average years. The corresponding figures one year ago were 82, 93 and 97. The presence of insects is noted by a few correspondents, but the injury done by them, if any, is hardly perceptible. The ground has been well covered with snow since the 2d of December. Pasture this fall has not been good, particularly in the southern counties; and the condition of live stock is reported from five to seven points below a full average. Stock is practically free from disease of any kind.

#### Serious Woman's Mysterious Death.

Frankie Seamon, a woman of the town, died at Jackson, while riding in a cutter with Sadie Hodges, another gay one. She was once a remarkably handsome woman and has relations at Adrian. There is a strong suspicion entertained that the Seamon woman's death was due to poison. Coroner Davis says heart disease was not the cause.

—Dr. White and Coroner Davis held an inquest and found that death was caused by heart disease superinduced by tight lacing. The effects of the corset were apparent, for the heart, lungs, liver and stomach were crowded together in an abnormally small space. The stomach was found frightfully distended.

#### Will Test Local Option.

Several days ago Fred Giddings, proprietor of the Hotel Giddings, of Lawton, filed a bond, signed by two prominent citizens, and presented it to the village council, and it was approved. This bond will not be offered to the treasurer of Van Buren county, for a license to retail liquor, and if the license is refused the supreme court will be asked for a mandamus on the grounds that the present local option law is not in force in the county, owing to several errors in adopting the same.

Petoskey is taking steps to incorporate itself as a city under the general law.

A stock company has been organized to manufacture the Eagle fanning mill at Muson.

Lansing has saved \$11,000 during the past year by conducting its own electric light plant.

The Grand Rapids chair company has resumed operations with a full force of 300 men.

Crosswell's new foundry began operations last week. They manufacture a new patent plow.

Imlay City Catholics will soon commence building a new church, to be completed next spring.

Marquette will on December 16 receive bids for a new city hall, a building she is sadly in need of.

The citizens of Carsonville are ready to raise a bonus to any person who will start a new industry at that place.

Over 1,000 men are out of work in Port Huron and business men are being called upon for relief for the suffering.

Monroe, Macomb and Oakland counties will hereafter be included in Detroit and Wayne Sunday School association.

At Milford, electric lights for private use cost \$18 per year for three lights and \$1 per year extra for each additional light.

La Grippe claimed one of Lansing's oldest pioneers—Mrs. Betsey Packard, aged 82 years. William L. Burlingame, a resident of Lansing for 35 years, is also dead aged 82 years.

Daniel Fletcher, a switchman, was caught between lumber cars at Jackson while coupling. He had one rib broken and chest and spine seriously injured. He will recover.

The five bond investment companies in Denver, Col., and the two in Pueblo, which are declared to be lottery concerns, have discontinued using the mails.

A few years ago an Ottawa county Hollander planted an acre of celery as an experiment, though he had no doubt as to the result. Today the county has 800 acres of the plant for next season's market.

At Clyde two little boys named Ray and Earl Baker, 10 and 8 years of age, were playing with a gun in which was a shell containing only powder. It exploded in the hands of Ray, and Earl's face was painfully burned.

Peleg Potter, a farmer residing about 14 miles from Vassar, walked to that village and after he arrived complained of being very ill. Before a physician could be of any assistance he was dead. Aged 70 years; pioneer of Tuscola county.

Frank Stanton, alias Dell Hammond, a Jackson county thief, convinced the prison board that he was insane enough to be transferred from the state prison, where he was serving a 5-year sentence, to the asylum for the criminal insane at Ionia. He went into the attic, made a rope out of bed blankets and sheets, and left by way of a window.

#### 53RD CONGRESS ASSEMBLES.

The President's Message Read on the Opening Day—The Proceedings.

A large number of people were present when Vice-President Stevenson rapped the Senate of the first regular session of the 53d Congress to order. New carpets, highly polished desks, numerous floral designs and the pretty colors of the lady spectators' costumes gave the Senate chamber an additional charm. The roll call was responded to by 50 Senators. The usual resolutions notifying the House of Representatives of the meeting of the Senate and the resolution for a committee of two Senators to join a similar committee of the House to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that Congress had assembled, and was ready to receive any communication he may desire to make, were offered and agreed to. Mr. McPherson, Dem., N. J., and Mr. Sherman, Rep., O. were appointed as the committee on the part of the Senate. After a resolution had been adopted that the hour of daily meeting shall be 12 o'clock meridian, a recess was taken for one hour to enable the committee to wait on the President. Upon reassembling Mr. McPherson announced that the President had sent a communication to congress, Secretary Prudden then read the President's annual message, which occupied one hour and a half. But little interest was manifested, most of the Senators either talking or reading, and at the conclusion all but 25 Senators had left the floor for a smoke or a stroll through the cloak rooms. Mr. Dolph secured the floor when the reading was ended, and gave notice that on the following day he would address the Senate on the Hawaiian question. A message from the House announced the death of Hon. Charles S. Nelson, of Iowa, William Lilley, of Pennsylvania. A resolution of sorrow was adopted and as a mark of respect the Senate adjourned.

In the House of Representatives 240 members responded to their names. H. S. Bundy, as successor to the late Representative Enochs, of Ohio, and Levi T. Griffin as successor of the late Representative J. Logan Chipman, of Michigan, were sworn in. Messrs. Wilson, Oathwaite and Burrows were appointed a committee to wait upon the President. The reading of the President's message was not followed with any great degree of interest, but it was applauded when finished. Gen. Bingham, of Pennsylvania, called attention to the vacant seats of the late Representatives O'Neill and Lilley; a committee was appointed and the House adjourned as a further mark of respect.

SENATE—Second day.—In strong contrast to the previous day the galleries were deserted, and the chamber was almost empty. Mr. Hearst offered a resolution requesting the President so far as possible to refrain from being present at the public interest, to come into the Senate chamber of all bills which have been passed by any representative of the United States or any naval officer since March 1, 1901, in reference to the preservation of public order in the United States, and the property of American citizens or the reputation or support of any government. The resolution was adopted, and the President's message was read. Mr. Dolph, of Oregon, then addressed the Senate on that portion of the President's message referring to Hawaii. He took the President to task for his attitude in the matter, and repeatedly charged the President with having aimed to surround the recent actions of the government in relation to Hawaii. Mr. Dolph expressed the opinion that the President had not the constitutional power to restore the queen. He also criticized the report as being more like the president's annual message than an official report of a judge. He proposed a resolution appropriating \$500,000 for payment of claims and expenses of judicial officers of internal revenue, to carry out the Chinese exclusion act, was reported from the committee on appropriations and passed. House.—Not a large interest followed the proceedings. The only thing of moment accomplished beyond the passage of several bills of minor importance was the passage of an agreement to close the general debate on the Hawaiian question. The bill was then taken up and the House adjourned after a long struggle accepted a cut of 25 per cent in wages.

SENATE—Third day.—The Hawaiian question was again called to the front by Mr. Hearst, of California, who continued his attack upon the President's attitude toward Hawaii. Messrs. Hils of Texas and Vilas of Wisconsin, defended the President. Mr. Hearst said that Congress should be fully informed of the instructions issued by the President. It was a question of whether the government had the power, without the sanction of congress, to restore the previous status of affairs existing prior to the overthrow of the queen. The bill was then taken up and the Senate adjourned after a long struggle accepted a cut of 25 per cent in wages.

SENATE—Fourth day.—Mr. Hill, of New York, announced that he would call up the bill repealing the Chinese exclusion act. Four minor bills were passed and after an executive session the Senate adjourned. House.—The general debate on the Hawaiian question was closed. A resolution authorizing additional clerical force met with considerable opposition. The speaker of Illinois, repudiated the Democrats for so soon falling away from their pledges of re-entrance to the Senate. The resolution was passed. The remainder of the day was occupied in listless discussion of various matters.

SENATE—Fifth day.—No session. House.—The House adjourned after a long struggle accepted a cut of 25 per cent in wages. The House adjourned after a long struggle accepted a cut of 25 per cent in wages.

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Capt. Wm. J. McDonald, one of the bravest of the peace officers of the state of Texas, was shot and mortally wounded by a party of four men headed by Sheriff John C. Mathews, of Childress, Texas. The shooting was the result of an old feud.

Smelting men throughout Colorado are complaining that the supply of silver ore has gradually decreased since the closing of the mines in June to such an extent that unless there is a rise in the price of lead and silver soon, which will permit the resumption of low-grade mines, there will be a famine in the ore market which will compel most of them to close down.

## THIRTY-THREE PEOPLE

### IN PERIL ON A STEAMER WHICH WAS DRIVEN ASHORE

In a Storm—Life Savers Rescue Passengers and Crew with Great Difficulty.

#### —Other Important News.

In a blinding snowstorm and a terrific easterly gale, the passenger and freight steamer F. & P. M. No. 3, of the Flint & Pere Marquette line, was driven on the rocky shore of Whitefish bay, six miles above Milwaukee. The steamer left Ludington, Mich., with a crew of about 15 men and with a passenger list numbering 18 persons. The lake was exceedingly rough during the passage, but it was not until the vessel was approaching the Wisconsin shore that her situation became alarming. In the storm the steamer was carried off her course and in attempting to feel her way into the bay she brought up on the rocks in Whitefish bay.

As soon as the steamer struck the bowlders she sounded signals of distress. The life-savers promptly responded. The surfboat was placed on the surfact, and the boat was taken overland to the beach opposite the spot where the disabled steamer lay. Great difficulty was experienced in reaching the beach, and when the crew finally arrived on the scene it was found that the high seas and the rocks and bowlders that lined the bottom of the bay made it difficult to use the surfboat. Nevertheless, it was speedily trundled to the edge of the ice-covered beach and two scores of willing hands forced the boat into the waves. The crew pulled against a high gale and big seas, but after a struggle of 15 minutes the life-savers reached the side of the vessel. Two women were rescued first. They were Mrs. Augusta Peter, wife of a surfman of Ludington, Mich., life-saver crew. Her companion was Miss Flora Gelderman, also of Ludington, who was on her way to Chicago. The remaining passengers and the crew were soon after rescued amidst the ice, snow and storm driven waves.

#### \$15,000 in a Daylight Robbery.

The South Bend National bank, one of the largest and soundest banks in northern Indiana, was robbed of over \$15,000. The hold was committed in broad daylight, while hundreds of people were on the street, and the robbers succeeded in getting away with their rich booty without leaving the slightest clue.

Cashier Myron Campbell was the last to leave the bank during the noon recess, and he closed the big vault and left everything in good shape as he supposed. It is believed that the work was done by professionals. They entered a rear window, went through the vault, turned the combination, swung open the door and the bank's cash lay before them. Without touching any silver they chose \$15,000 in paper and gold, closed the door of the vault and escaped as they entered. The only clue was a chisel found on the floor. The robbers could have taken as much more, but were evidently afraid to carry it through the streets.

#### THE NEWS RESUME.

J. F. Hough cut his wife's throat in Cleveland, because she left him while they lived in Elyria, O.

Percy Kilbourn and Sidney Coppernall, of Grass Lake, were held to the circuit court in \$2,000 bonds on a charge of assaulting Mabel Coppernall, the latter's niece.

The Diamond Plate Glass works at Kokomo, Ind., employing 800 men, will close after a seven months' close down. The operatives after a long struggle accepted a cut of 25 per cent in wages.

News has been received at the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange that the new steel four-masted ship Bahama, which was wrecked in a hurricane, entailed a loss of \$140,000 to marine underwriters.

The Allegan County Christian Endeavor union has made arrangements to hold meetings in every village and township in the county, with the object of largely increasing the membership of the organization. The Dolphin jute mill at Paterson, N. J., employing 600 hands, has shut down to await the final result of the Wilson bill. The carpet manufacturers have refused to purchase jute under the present circumstances.

Collector of Customs Clark at Chicago reports to the treasury department that the customs receipts to November 30 on World's Fair exhibits entered for consumption in this country amount to \$635,070, and expenditures \$167,016.

The second half of a broken freight train on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, running forty miles an hour, jumped the track near Mabrey, Md., Engineer Stocker and Fireman Hulin were killed, and a brakeman injured.

The Cherokee council has adjourned after passing the bill for the special commission to sell strip bonds over the chief's veto. He and his followers insist it is unconstitutional and will serve notice on prospective purchasers.

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#### DYNAMITE IN PARIS.

Bomb Exploded in the Chamber of Deputies—The Mercant Caught.

While the chamber of deputies was in session a bomb was thrown from one of the galleries and exploded with a double report in the midst of the law-makers. A scene of terrible excitement followed. The crowds in the galleries were seized with panic and through blinding smoke and dust fought fiercely to escape from the building. The police, however, with great promptness had closed every exit to the streets and instituted at once the most searching investigation for the criminals. Both in the galleries and on the floor of the chamber many persons, including women, were hurt more or less seriously, but so far as is known only one was fatally wounded. The deputies displayed great coolness, and their president, M. Dupuy, appealed to his colleagues to continue their discussions with calmness. His remarks were loudly cheered and partial order was restored.

The police detained on suspicion 200 persons, but after a day of great excitement the authorities announced that they had the bomb thrower in custody. The mercant is named Marchal. He is an anarchist and has made a full confession.

Marchal, it appears, was among the injured persons taken to the Hotel Dieu, the largest hospital of the north side of the Place du Parvis, Notre Dame. He soon fell under the suspicion of the authorities, and pressed by the perfect of police, he decided to make a full confession and did so, glorying in his dastardly crime, and said the bomb was aimed at President Dupuy.

#### Youthful Murderers Hanged.

Harvey Pat and Frank Stires were hanged at Danville, Ill., for the murder of Henry Helmick, a wealthy farmer, on the night of August 25. The young men, who are but 21 and 20 years of age respectively, passed a quiet night after bidding farewell to their relatives and were composed when the sheriff came in to read the death warrant. They had professed Christianity and died singing hymns.

The crime for which Pat and Stires were executed was committed August 25, 1893. Four young men, Harvey Pat, aged 21; Frank Stires, 19; Elias McJunkin, 18, and Charles Smoot, 17, were great readers of flashy literature, and Pat had served two years among the cowboys of Texas. The four conceived the idea of holding up Henry Helmick, a wealthy farmer. The boys met him and his wife in a buggy. Helmick struck his horses when a demand for money was made, and Pat shot him dead. On trial all four pleaded guilty. Pat and Stires were sentenced to hang and McJunkin and Harris to the penitentiary for life.

#### Minister Thurston's Secret Journey.

Washington special: Minister Thurston, representative of the provisional government of Hawaii, quietly departed from the city for the west, and it is surmised that he is quite likely to go to Honolulu before returning to Washington. His secret departure excited considerable comment, and his was much speculation as to his significance. It can be stated, however, that his departure does not mean any break in the recognition this government heretofore has always accorded him as the accredited representative of the de facto government of Hawaii. Mrs. Thurston, his mother, and his young son remain in Washington, and the official status of the Hawaiian legation is continued with Mr. Hastings, the secretary, acting as charge d'affaires. From Chicago Mr. Thurston will go to San Francisco, and his ultimate destination may be Honolulu where he would have an opportunity to orally advise the Hawaiian government.

#### Zanardelli Can't Form a Cabinet.

Rome cable: Signor Zanardelli has finally abandoned the task of forming a cabinet. He had a long conference with King Humbert, and offered to abandon his efforts to complete the ministry if the king considered that his confidence had been misplaced. The king would give him no satisfactory reply and Signor Zanardelli took his departure. The king afterward gave an audience to Signor Farini, the president of the senate, who has been mentioned as the next premier. Later, General Barletti, the foreign minister, Admiral Raccini, minister of marine, and General San Marzano resigned their portfolios and Signor Zanardelli therefore announced his intention to withdraw. Signor Crispien has again been called upon by Humbert to form a cabinet and relieve Italy from the crisis.

#### G. R. & I. Must Return Some of Its Lands.

Washington special: Commissioner of the General Land Office Lammox rendered a decision in which he made a demand upon the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad Co. for the conveyance of about 21,000 acres of land situated in Emmett and Charlevoix counties, in Michigan, held to have been erroneously certified to the company under its grant. This demand is made in accordance with the recent ruling of Secretary Smith, holding that the lands were excepted from the grant by reason of being reserved for Indian purposes at the time the road obtained its right.

#### States Can't Coin Their Own Money.

Washington special: Acting Secretary Curtis, of the treasury department has intimated very plainly that the government would interfere should any attempt be made to give practical effect to the suggestion of Gov. Waite, of Colorado, that Colorado make silver a legal tender and provide for its free coinage at a state mint. Mr. Curtis said that Gov. Waite knew very well that the United States alone has the right to coin money and that coinage by the state would be contrary to the constitution.

#### Humbert May Abdicate Italy's Throne.

Brussels cable: The correspondent at Rome of the Independent Belge reports to that paper under reserve that King Humbert, in view of the unpopularity of Italy's connection with the triple alliance, for which he accepts the responsibility, thinks of abdicating.

Gladstone has declined the request of the Scotch miners, who asked that a cabinet minister should intervene, as Lord Rosebery did, in order to bring about a settlement of the strike in Scotland. Mr. Gladstone intimated that a request for such intervention must come from both sides.

#### Four Fatalities at Fires.

Turner Hall, on the corner of Cherry and South Canal streets, Allegheny, Pa., was partially destroyed by fire, and two people burned to death and two others seriously injured. The fire started from the furnace in the cellar, and three children were asleep on the fourth floor. It was discovered by Mrs. Benninghoff, who noticed a class of five girls engaged in calisthenic exercises in the main hall, then started to rescue her children. That was the last seen of her alive. Carl and Edward were rescued by the firemen, but Mrs. Benninghoff and Emma could not be found. After the fire their charred remains were discovered within a few feet of the fire escape.

An hour later from a fire in an unfinished grain house in the east end of Pittsburgh, David Thompson, a fireman, was killed, and John Williams, also a fireman, was dangerously injured by the falling of a chimney. The property loss was small.

#### The Lehigh Strike Ended.

The great strike on the Lehigh Valley road has been declared off both sides making concessions. This action was the result of conference between a joint committee composed of members of the boards of arbitration of New York and New Jersey on the one hand and President Wilbur, of the Lehigh Valley road, on the other. The conference, which lasted three days, was also participated in by the chiefs of the local and national labor organizations which took part in the strike. The terms of the agreement are that the company will take back as many of their old employees as they can find places for without prejudice on account of the fact that they struck or that they are members of any labor organization and will give preference in the future to former employees in employing men.

#### Killed His Family by Carelessness.

Riley Hughes, a miner employed at Taylor's mines, Ohio county, Ky., threw a wet lump of blasting powder on the fire at his home. It exploded and the fire communicated to a 25-pound can of powder setting in the room. A terrific explosion followed, blowing the house to atoms. Hughes, his wife and five children were shockingly burned and mangled. Mrs. Hughes and her daughter, Sarah, died in a few hours. The others are seriously injured, and but two can recover. The explosion was of such force that the people for some distance around thought it was an earthquake.

#### Two Railroad Fatalities at Detroit.

John Howe, a brakeman on the Flint & Pere Marquette railroad, met with a sudden and shocking death in the company's yards at Detroit. He was coupling a box car to one loaded with lumber, on which a stick of timber was projecting over one end. The stick struck him in the head, crushing his skull and killing him instantly.

Minnie Jonkie, 71 years old and residing alone in a little room, met with a fatal accident. While walking along the railroad track on Desquindre street, she was run down by a train and so severely injured that she died five minutes later.

#### Another Fatal Collision on the Lehigh.

There was a bad wreck at Sugar Notch, Pa. Two engines were pulling a train up the mountain when they collided with an empty engine. Two of the engines were badly wrecked and one of the engineers fatally injured. The passenger train had the right of way, but the engineer in charge of the single engine thought he could reach a siding before the passenger train came up.

#### Locomotive Exploded—Three Killed.

The boiler of a Texas & Pacific engine drawing thirteen cars exploded near Eastland, Tex., killing Engineer Charles Elliott, Fireman Charles Beevers and Brakeman Frank Spence. The air pump was blown 700 feet and the main portion of the boiler 250 feet. Considerable track was torn up and nine cars were wrecked.

#### THE MARKETS.

Detroit.	
Cattle—Good to choice	\$4.00 to \$4.25
Hogs	3.00 to 3.25
Sheep and Lambs	2.25 to 2.50
Wheat—No 2	62 1/2 to 63
White spot No 2	61 1/2 to 62 1/2
Corn No 2	36 1/2 to 37
Oats—No 2	24 to 25
Hay—No 1 Timothy	11.00 to 12.00
Butter—Fair to good	22 to 23
Creamery	23 to 24
Eggs per dozen	18 to 19
Live poultry—Fowls	8 to 9
Chickens	7 to 8
Ducks	8 to 9
Turkeys	8 to 9

Chicago.	
Cattle—Steers	\$5.00 to \$5.50
Common	3.00 to 4.10
Sheep—1000	2.25 to 4.75
Lambs	2.00 to 4.75
Hogs—Mixed	4.80 to 5.10
Wheat—No 2	62 1/2 to 63 1/2
Corn No 2	36 1/2 to 37 1/2
Oats	24 to 25
Live pork per lb	13 1/2 to 14 1/2
Lard per cwt	13 to 14

New York.	
Cattle—Natives	\$4.50 to \$5.00
Hogs	3.50 to 4.25
Sheep—Good to choice	4.75 to 5.25
Lambs	4.75 to 5.25
Wheat—No 2	62 to 63 1/2
Corn No 2	36 1/2 to 37 1/2
Oats	24 to 25

#### WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

NEW YORK, December 11.—J. G. Dun's weekly review of trade conditions is waiting. There is no visible improvement, and on the whole the indications are a little less satisfactory than they were a week ago. The volume of business, measured by clearing house returns outside New York, shows a decrease of only 11 per cent compared with last year, which is encouraging, but as the statement covers the payments for the first of the month it may not correctly measure the volume of new transactions. The reports from other cities show a hesitating trade almost everywhere, with a decided disposition to wait until business has acted on the tariff question, since the delay and uncertainty are likely to last for some weeks. The failures for the week